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Choice Poetry.

THE HOME-GOING.

BY G. S. BURLEIGH.

Ah, why should bitter tears be shed,
To sorrow o'er the wounded sod,
When, 'midst our grief, we find,
Of all the sufferers of our God,

They who are free to outward scenes,
Have but their mortal vesture cast away,
And clothed in heavenly radiance,
Attend on our lowly way;

And oft their spirits breathe in ours
The hope, and strength, and love of them,
Which bloom, as bloom the early flowers,
In breath of Summer's rivers on sun;
And whose deep radiance cast,
In promptings of their purer thought,
Which gently lead the troubled heart
To joys not even Hope had sought.

While sorrow's tears our eyes have wet,
Shed for the unpossessed dead,
Too much our darkened souls forget
The heaven of unfading fruit,
Not then we look for beloved ones,
Their decrease overcast the sun,
Nor even whose loved presence cheers
The sweetest flower of blushing Spring,
If through its cloud an sunlight burst,
Would shade the sweetest blossoming.

To weal the heart can loose its tide,
And gently pour the soothing wor,
When grief flops its mortal
In death-peace of the loved and dear;
But when from her sepulchral cell,
Their Angels tell the grief away,
Then yield we to the nobler mood
And rear her everlasting lay;
With spiritgleams undimmed by tears
Look upward and linger the clod,
For brighter than yon million spheres
They visit/ around the throne of God;
And echoes from their choral song
Come quivering down the blue expanse,
Like mirrored in the lonely lake
That on the bosom of sunset dance.

And Hope—for sunnily yon
Our sunlight on our pathway dun,
And Death can have no terrors more,
But holy Joy shall walk with him.

Pictures of Life.

A SYLVAN MORALITY; OR, A WORD TO WIVES.

"There summer wings
Have borne one in my days of idle pleasure:
I do descend there."

"And breathe, but yet; I will require thee,
Tossing my wild heart to thy loving hand."

At the age of seventeen, Emily F——, some cent," all said and lettered, from the Minerva Press of a fashionable boarding-school, and was two years afterwards married to Harold Hall as a bride. In the short period intervening between these important events, Emily had had a prodigious run of admiration. Scarcely had been presented to her presented lover, and the lovers of Emily had scattered themselves over the face of England, all this Emily had liked well enough—some better, some worse, but nobody quite right; but when was the wonder to be, that the sweet, generous, graceful girl, should not be the idol of her circle, she had no enemy of her own, in the fact that she had nothing else to love—no brother, no sister, no cousin, no friend, for she was in its largest and loving sense. She was the orphan but not ward of a fashionable guardian, in whom the selfish regrets of age had entirely frozen the few sympathies left open by the selfish enjoyments of youth.

When Emily married, and for a few months after, she was the happiest of wives, because she had found something better than the world, wherein to fix the affection of her warm young heart. At all event she had found a something to love for, and one who was worthy to be loved in return. Indeed, a better fellow than our friend F—— does not live; he was a favorite in fairly good-looking, and the perfect gentleman, by use and, perhaps, original, the description of gentleman to excite the rapid growth of romantic attachment in the bosom of an admired girl of nineteen.

Why did she marry him? Simply because she thought him amiable, and that nobody better, and because her own wish was answered in the refusal of her charge, liked nobody so well—not because he was much to offer, but because it was little he required.

Soon after their marriage the happy pair set out for Paris. There, if anywhere, they were sheltered, and home refined, made every effort (as far as their means allowed us feel it) to spend the freely young wife by a step at the capital of pleasure. After a subsequent excursion, they returned within a few months of the period of their marriage, to a pretty cottage in Berkshire, to which an elegantly furnished a modest establishment. There no one readily accepted, for we were anxious to behold the "rural felicity," of which we little doubt that we should find it amongst the parties.

The result, however, of a week's sojourn at their quiet abode, was the unpleasant opinion that, somehow or another, the "rural felicity" promised by the young couple did not all quite very; though to point out the defect in their choice, or to discover where they failed, were matters on which it required more time to form a decided judgment. They were, nevertheless, a good deal puzzled with her ennuyée air, Emily had not answered—which became her new estate; and then she was shrewdly suspected, pay quite so much attention to the wants of the little menage as the young lord lieutenant by the limited amount of his income. Emily was amused, in short, that the same thoughtless, pleasure-loving, affectionate, nothing girl as ever; now she was married, the same sensible darling of some surrounded and cheered by butterflies its kennel.

But her regret? asks some modern Petronius, who has read so much of the world as to be wise in her phrase?

"Regret?" I not be: he would have feared to touch the dust from off them; and, from something of this over-tenderness, had been dealing with her as a child, instead of a wife. Capital, these tastes which (without them) might have been reconciled already to the more open and simple establishment of a retired English neighborhood. He was only trying the experiment which should have been made a year ago, and that with a relational and undecided bent.

Poor Emily! but love of pretty bad one. It is true, but little enough for its display; but it was, still strongly apparent, in the rapturing regret with which she referred to pleasures past, and the supreme delight with which she greeted every such occasional breaks in the monotony of a country life. An approaching dinner party would raise her tide of spirits, and a distant ball or two would make them equal to a flood. One or two such occasions we found that F——, though never stern, looked grave enough to have been set down as an unkind husband to Emily, if not by every one, at least by that complex. "Everybody," he said, "knew that his wife was "one of the prettiest and greatest flirts in the world;" and that, as everybody must be right, so of course it was. Emily, indeed, but one gentle friend to behold the face of his "Young May Moon" slowly obscured; but then it had always been his care to show every face it every passing, or even approaching cloud; and he was, therefore, very astonishing that, in his very heightened regard for his wife, he should be so little flattered by the admiration of others, rebuked from control by their opinion, shabby, more "shrivelled" others.

To be loved seemed more works at our satisfaction enough, when the object of love was one to be not disturbed, for many a year, the coveting, and sometimes the grasping gold of Golconda society. The son of Lord W—— was about the same of age, and the event was to be celebrated by grand feelings; a varied string of fireworks, to be wound up, it was whispered, by a grand pyrotechnical, or fancy ball.

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I extract from the journal of a friend, a slight sketch of the present representative of the French throne. I was struck by the tinge of melancholy which pervaded the whole of the interview, and which seems to be the prevailing feature in the character of the Napoleon family. Their lives have been remarkable for vicissitude, and their deaths for violence. Napoleon, the founder of the family, died a prisoner on the Island of St. Helena. Joseph, the elder brother, died in exile in the United States. Lucien, the second brother, died in exile in Italy. Louis, the third brother, died in exile in Italy. Jerome, the youngest brother, died in exile in Germany. Joseph Napoleon, the eldest son of Lucien, died in exile in England. Napoleon, the eldest son of Louis, died in exile in Italy. Napoleon, the second son of Louis, died in exile in Holland. Napoleon, the present Emperor of the French, was born in exile in France. Napoleon, the son of the present Emperor, was born in exile in France. Thus, with the exception of Napoleon, the founder of the family, who died in exile in the Island of St. Helena, every member of the family, for three generations, has been born in exile, has lived in exile, and has died in exile.

"I arrived at the Tuileries at 9 o'clock. It was a large room in front of the house, and within the palace. Within a few paces of the entrance, there was a door, which led to the private apartments, where upon the ground floor, on the right of the 14th of July, 1848, the present Emperor was born. The room was furnished in a plain manner. The carpet was of a dark color, and the furniture was covered with the same color. It was not a drawing room, but a plain, comfortable apartment, such as a gentleman of the present day would furnish for himself. The Emperor was alone. He was standing by the fire-place, with his back to the fire, and his face to the door. He was dressed in a plain suit of black, with a white cravat. He was not in uniform, and he wore no decoration. He is a man of the middle height, and of a slender figure. His face is pale, and his features are small and delicate. His eyes are of a dark color, and his hair is black. His head is small, and his forehead is low. His face is not handsome, but it is not unpleasing. It is a face which, when in repose, is full of thought, and which, when animated, is full of intelligence. His manner is very quiet, and rather reserved. He is not a man who would be likely to make himself conspicuous in a crowd. He is not a man who would be likely to attract attention by his appearance. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his conversation. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his manners. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his character. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his genius. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his talents. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his virtues. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his vices. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his faults. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his weaknesses. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his strength. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his weakness. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his power. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his impotence. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his energy. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his indolence. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his activity. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his inertness. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his vigor. He is a man who would be likely to attract attention by his feebleness

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General News.

INEQUALITY OF REPRESENTATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

We take the following curious article upon the above subject, from the *Abbeville* (South Carolina) *Patriot*:

In South Carolina the Senate is composed of forty-three members, elected by districts. One of the Districts is very large and eight of them small, and contain each about one-eighth of the population and wealth of the State. The Districts are, Charleston, St. Philip's, St. Michael's, St. Andrew's, St. Bartholomew's, Christ Church, St. James, Goose Creek, St. John's, Berkley, St. James, Santee, St. Stephen's, St. John's, Colleton, St. Peter's, Beaufort, Prince William, St. Luke's, Granville, Barnwell, Orangeburg, Edgefield, Abbeville, Pendleton, Greenville, Spartanburg, Union, Chester, Fairfield, Richland, Lexington, Sumter, Darlington, Marion, Marlboro', Williamsburg, Georgetown, Horry, Clarendon, Kershaw, Lancaster, Chesterfield, Lancaster, Newberry, Laurens, Anderson, Pickens, Oconee, and Greenville. Each of these Districts contains about the same population of the same number of whites. Now, it must be apparent to every one, that the Districts of small population, have as much right to be represented in the Senate, as the Districts of large population. Each District is entitled to one Senator, and no more. Each District is entitled to the same representation in the Senate, as the largest District in the State. The Districts of small population have as much power in the Senate as the Districts of large population

Selected Poetry.

THE PICTURE OF SAPPHO.

BY THE LATE L. E. L.

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